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From: Ruhl, Christopher
Sent: Thur 9/3/2015 1:43:51 PM
Subject: Fwd: Moving forward on the Monitoring Strategy - follow up to today's Discussion with Senior Leadership

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Garcia, Bert" <Garcia.Bert@epa.gov>
Date: September 3, 2015 at 7:43:08 AM MDT
To: "Spence, Sandra" <Spence.Sandra@epa.gov>, "Wall, Tom" <Wall.Tom@epa.gov>, "Ruhl, Christopher" <Ruhl.Christopher@epa.gov>
Cc: "Loop, Travis" <Loop.Travis@epa.gov>, "Garcia, David" <Garcia.David@epa.gov>, "Evans, David" <Evans.David@epa.gov>, "Cheatham, Reggie" <cheatham.reggie@epa.gov>, "Boynton, Lisa" <Boynton.Lisa@epa.gov>, "Hestmark, Martin" <Hestmark.Martin@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Moving forward on the Monitoring Strategy - follow up to today's Discussion with Senior Leadership

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Bert Garcia

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From: Spence, Sandra
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 6:30 PM
To: Wall, Tom; Ruhl, Christopher
Cc: Garcia, Bert; Loop, Travis; Garcia, David; Evans, David; Cheatham, Reggie; Boynton, Lisa
Subject: Re: Moving forward on the Monitoring Strategy - follow up to today's Discussion with Senior Leadership

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On Sep 2, 2015, at 2:48 PM, Wall, Tom <Wall.Tom@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks Sandie. I read that statement about previous discharges, spills etc. on the call. Didn't by itself resolve the concern.

Good that we have some comments from the remedial side of superfund (I just forwarded). I'm going to propose a call w/ them and you all to talk through their comments.

Secondly, we need a principals decision meeting re: option b. I don't think OSWER's going to agree to it. Going to try to get that scheduled. Hoping OSWER can have one of their DAAs participate or delegate to an OD as I understand their AA will be in Region 8 as early as tomorrow.

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Travis – do you think Regions should send something out about our delay in releasing the draft plan or just respond to inquiries?

From: Spence, Sandra

Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 4:33 PM

To: Wall, Tom; Garcia, Bert

Subject: Language in the Monitoring Strategy - For Discussion with Senior Leadership

Maybe these clarifications will be helpful as you discuss the plan with senior leaders:

Caveats already included in the plan regarding Objective B”

- Under the initial description of Objective B in first paragraph of page 2

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- The plan states under the Objective B description: page 3

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Decision Rules around pre and post release data comparison for action.

- We are using the same decision rules as were used in the incident response for actions – after data collection for 1 year:
 - Compare pre and post-release data –
 - if post is as good or better than pre – no action and monitoring plan ends
 - if post represent lower quality, compare to screening levels
 - if screening levels met – no action and monitoring plan ends
 - if screening levels exceeded – communicate and consider extending or intensifying monitoring plan